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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Procurement Division, OL

ATTENTION

Chief. Contract Administration and Settlement Branch

SUBJECT

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- 1. The subject contract is for the design and development of an improved rear projection screen material. In the attachment, the Contractor has requested permission to submit a paper relating to this subject for publication in Applied Optics.
- 2. Because the nature of the effort has been completely on an unclassified basis there is no objection to such a publication as long as such a publication does not compromise the classified association with the Agency.
- 3. It is, therefore, recommended that tentative permission be granted by the Contracting Officer to allow Corning to submit the paper for publication conditioned upon the following:
 - a. Their submittal of the complete paper to the Contracting Officer for review and final approval.
 - b. Their satisfying Logistics Security that the publication will not compromise the classified Agency association.

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Colonel, USAF
Assistant for Technical Development, NPIC

Attachments:

Corning Letter Dated 1 November 67

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PREDICTING THE OPTICAL PROPERTIES OF IMPROVED

REAR PROJECTION SCREEN MATERIALS

Research and Development Laboratory Corning Glass Works Corning, New York 14830

The Mie Theory of light scattering is used to theoretically determine the relations linking the optical viewing properties such as axial gain, brightness, uniformity, efficiency, color fidelity and sensitivity to ambient light with the physical properties of the material, e.g., particle size, number density, and relative refractive index of the scattering particles.

From basic light-scattering data, all other optical properties are computed, including trade-offs required for different viewing requirements. Data from experimental investigations are given for a variety of volume scattering materials made by Corning Glass Works, to establish the validity of the theoretical calculations. The data also indicates that commercial rear projection screen materials do not exhibit the near-optimum performance of the Corning materials.

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